



# Wisconsin Career & Technical Education

## Through Career & Technical Student Organizations

### Community Service

**Over \$90,000**

raised to support charities

**and**

**Over 20,000**

hours donated

by Career & Technical Student  
Organizations

**IN ONE YEAR...**

**44,611**

student members

**868**

participating chapters

**Give back to many charities,  
including...**

*Cystic Fibrosis*

*Habitat for Humanity*

*Local Food Pantries*

*Muscular Dystrophy Association*

*Juvenile Diabetes Research*

*Foundation*

*Reuse-A-Shoe*

*March of Dimes*

*Share Our Strength*

*Soles4Souls*

*Special Olympics*

*Make-A-Wish Foundation*

*Lead2Feed*

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## What is a CTSO?

A CTSO is a quality component of career and technical education programs that support and enhance related school-based and work-based learning. They provide value to students through various opportunities that allow them to showcase their skills and knowledge. CTSOs are found in middle, junior and senior high schools throughout Wisconsin.

## Elements of CTSOs

Wisconsin has six state and nationally recognized CTSOs that are intra-curricular (connected directly to the classroom through curriculum, activities, and community resources) in nature. All CTSOs include leadership development elements as well as competitive events in related technical skills and leadership.

## CTSO Competitive Events

The competitive events program directly supports the student organization's mission. CTSOs evaluation process involves students in both a written component such as an exam or report and an interactive component with an industry professional serving as a judge. The CTSOs competitive events directly contribute to every student being college and career ready when they graduate from high school.

**Wisconsin CTSO members have the opportunity to experience the competitive events program at a variety of different levels.**

- **District or regional competitions** range from **50-800 students** and are located throughout Wisconsin
- **State Competitions** range from **500-2,000+** members have the opportunity to compete, network and broaden their professional interests
- **National Competitions** range from **5,000-15,000+** students, advisors, businesspersons and alumni gather for several days of competitions, leadership training and career academies

## CTSO Leadership

Academic engagement, civic engagement, self-efficacy, and employment skills are evident in students who are actively involved in CTSOs. In addition, these students are more highly motivated throughout their years in high school. This is considered value-added and does lead to a more meaningful high school experience.

### Wisconsin Facts

**85% of all high schools have  
at least one CTSO**

**62% of those high schools have  
at least two CTSOs**

**47% of those high schools have  
at least three CTSOs**

**45% of those high schools have  
four or more CTSOs**

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*An Association  
of Marketing  
Students*



*An Association  
of Technology  
and Engineering  
Students*



*An Association  
of Business  
Students*



*An Association  
of Health Science Students*



*An Association  
of Family and  
Consumer Sciences  
Students*



*An Association  
of Agricultural  
Education  
Students*



HOSA  
66 Chapters  
2,195 Members



FBLA  
208 Chapters  
7,367 Members



SkillsUSA  
134 Chapters  
2,386 Members



FFA  
251 Chapters  
19,484 Members



FCCLA  
108 Chapters  
2,002 Members



DECA  
101 Chapters  
11,177 Members



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